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AND PREVIOUS

1. SCICOUNS HAD MARCH 13 MEETING WITH TROSHIN AND MAL'TSEV OF MINISTRY OF POWER TO GO OVER POINTS IN REF A CONCERNING PLANNING FOR VISITS BY TEMPORARY GROUPS OF EXPERTS IN COAL, OIL, GAS AND INFORMATION. (REF C REPORTED DISCUSSIONS ON U.S. COAL EXPERTS' VISIT.)

2. CONCERNING ITEM B IN REF A, THERE ARE DIFFERENT ANSWERS TO ITEMS 6, 16 AND 17. TROSHIN SAID THAT THE SOVIET MINISTRIES WHICH WOULD BE INVOLVED IN THE SUGGESTED MINING ENVIRONMENT PROJECT (ITEM 6 OF THE SOVIET PROPOSALS IN APPENDIX 5B OF THE REPORT OF THE FIRST JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING) PROPOSE THAT  
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THIS SUGGESTED TOPIC BE CARRIED OUT UNDER THE

ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT.

3. THE MINISTRY OF POWER PROPOSES THAT A JOINT PROJECT ON HYDROTECHNICAL CONSTRUCTION (ITEM 16) BE ESTABLISHED IN ADDITION TO THE 10 EXISTING ONES UNDER THE FIRST WORKING GROUP (FORMERLY PART OF THE S&T AGREEMENT).

4. TROSHIN NOTED THAT THE SOVIETS AGREED WITH THE U.S. PROPOSAL (STATE 262765, PARA 4) THAT THE PROJECT ON EFFICIENCY OF ELECTRICITY (ITEM 17) SHOULD BE SWITCHED TO THE HOUSING AGREEMENT.

5. THE SOVIET GAS EXPERTS AGREE TO VISIT THE U.S. MAY 26-JUNE 6. THE SIX-MAN SOVIET DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY DEPUTY MINISTER ZAITSEV OF THE GAS INDUSTRY AND WILL INCLUDE GAIKAZOV, DEPUTY CHIEF OF THEIR RESEARCH INSTITUTE. THE DELEGATION WOULD LIKE TO VISIT FOLLOWING SITES: FEA, FOR IN-DEPTH DISCUSSIONS; INSTITUTE OF GAS TECHNOLOGY (CHICAGO); A STANFORD INSTITUTE DEALING WITH MINERAL FUELS, THE AMERICAN GAS ASSOCIATIONS; EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY, FLOHR CORPORATION, NORTHERN NATURAL GAS COMPANY, AND GAS WELLS IN TEXAS OR CALIFORNIA (PRODUCTION, TRANSPORTATION AND PROCESSING). AT SAME TIME, SCICOUNS PRESENTED U.S. PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR VISIT. TROSHIN SAID THE MINISTRY OF THE GAS INDUSTRY WOULD STUDY IT AND COMMENT ASAP.

6. IN REGARD TO THE PROPOSED VISIT OF THE U.S. DELEGATION OF GAS EXPERTS IN APRIL, TROSHIN SAID THE MINISTRY OF THE GAS INDUSTRY WISHES TO RECEIVE THE U.S. DELEGATION IN JULY. AS REPORTED IN REF B, SCICOUNS RESISTED HAVING U.S. DELEGATION VISIT OCCUR AFTER SECOND JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING. SCICOUNS ALSO PRESENTED PROGRAM DESIRED BY U.S. DELEGATION.

7. THE SOVIET OIL EXPERTS WISH TO VISIT THE U.S. FOR 10 DAYS BEGINNING JUNE 1. THE DATE IS CHOSEN TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

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GRESS IN JAPAN. DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY D.A. TAKOYEV WILL LEAD THE SIX-MAN SOVIET DELEGATION. TROSHIN PROMISED TO PROVIDE THE DELEGATION'S PROGRAM PROPOSALS SOON. THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM INDUSTRY WANTS TO RECEIVE THE U.S. DELEGATION IN THE SUMMER AFTER THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING AND TROSHIN DID NOT HAVE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING A POSSIBLE PROGRAM FOR THE U.S.

DELEGATION.

8. TROSHIN SAID THAT THE SOVIET INFORMATION EXPERTS, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PROFESSOR YATROV, DIRECTOR OF GOSPLAN'S NEW INSTITUTE OF COMPLEX FUEL AND ENERGY PROBLEMS, ARE WORKING ON PROPOSALS FOR VISITS BUT NEITHER ARE THESE READY NOR ARE THE SOVIETS IN A POSITION TO PROPOSE TIME FOR THE VISITS. HE DID SAY THAT A SECOND MEMBER OF THIS GROUP OF EXPERTS IS PROFESSOR AKHMEDOV BUT THAT THE OTHERS HAVE YET TO BE CONFIRMED.

9. THE QUESTION OF NON-INCLUSION OF A GAS LIQUEFACTION SITE IN THE PROPOSED PROGRAM OF THE U.S. COAL EXPERTS' PLANNED VISIT WAS RAISED. TROSHIN ASSURED SCICOUNS THAT BY COAL ENRICHMENT BLAGOV MEANT TO INCLUDE ALL FORMS OF REWORKING SUCH AS LIQUEFACTION AND GASIFICATION. EMBASSY HAS NOT YET EXAMINED WHETHER THE AGREEMENT CONCLUDED BETWEEN TEXAS UTILITIES CO. AND V/O LICENSINTORG OF MOSCOW HAS ANY BEARING ON THE COOPERATION UNDER THE ENERGY AGREEMENT. STOESEL

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